

# **City of Wilmington Parks and Recreation**

## **Summer Nature Camp Behavior Guidelines and Discipline Policy**

**A fun and safe environment for participants is essential to an enjoyable camp experience. All campers are expected to follow these guidelines and expectations**

### **Behavior Guidelines and Expectations**

- Have Fun!
- Have a positive attitude
- Be safe
- Treat each other with respect and kindness. This includes others not in the camp
- One person speaks at a time
- No yelling or shouting
- Be courteous
- No horseplay
- Keep hands to yourself (no pushing, poking or shoving)
- No running unless your instructed to do so for an activity by the camp counselors
- Be respectful of all plants and animals (this includes insects and bugs)
- No name calling
- Use your best listening skills and follow directions

**The following unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated at camp and could result in immediate expulsion.**

- Endangering the health and safety of other children and/or staff
- Bullying, teasing and making fun of campers and/or staff
- Fighting and physical violence
- Using profanity, vulgarity or obscenity
- Stealing or damaging property

### **Discipline Policy**

1. Staff will redirect the participant to a more appropriate behavior
2. Staff will discuss behavior problem with the participant and remind them of guidelines
3. Use time out technique if inappropriate behavior continues so participant can reconsider their actions.
4. Discuss the problem with the parents and ask for ways to manage the behavior
5. If repeated behavioral problems continue for more than one day after speaking to the parents, staff may dismiss the participant from camp.
6. Immediate dismissal from the camp can occur at any time given severe circumstances.

Inappropriate behavior will be addressed by staff in a professional, positive, and timely manner to correct the behavior.

